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LOK SABHA

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IMPORT OF THREAD
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Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the import of cheap thread from China has put the weavers in a pitiable condition and they are forced to quit their traditional vocation and switching over to some other work;

(b) if so,the details thereof; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to protect the interest of weavers?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES(SHRI E.V.K.S. ELANGOVAN)

(a) & (b): No,sir.The import of cheap silk fabric from China has posed a competition for domestic manufacturers.

(c) The following schemes have been implemented in the XIth Plan to safeguard the interest of the weavers:-

i) Integrated Handloom Development Scheme

ii) Marketing and Export Promotion Scheme

ii) Handloom Weavers Comprehensive Welfare Scheme

iv) Diversified Handloom Development Scheme

v) Mill gate Price Scheme